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**Mollusca of Illinois and Michigan.**—F. C. Baker has recently catalogued<sup>1</sup> the Mollusca of Illinois, enumerating in all 332 species of which 91 are terrestrial and 240 are aquatic (the figures are the author's, the discrepancy is not explained). The Unionidae number 89. The list gives localities with considerable detail; no new species are described. Bryant Walker's catalogue of the terrestrial Pulmonata of Michigan<sup>2</sup> is more elaborate, giving descriptions and in most cases figures, with an outline of the synonymy of the 79 species recorded from the state. In the Introduction, besides general notes on distribution, adequate directions are given for the collection and preparation of specimens.

**A monograph on Anurida.**—Those in charge of the Liverpool Biological Society have, for several years past, been issuing a series of short Memoirs on the morphology, life history, and œcology of various typical animals and plants found in that region. The thirteenth of the series appears in volume 20 of the Proceedings and Transactions of the society. It deals with the interesting Collem-bolan, Anurida and is by A. D. Imms. The habits and structure are described from original observations; the account of the development is summarized from American writers. A bibliography of 102 articles is given and the whole is illustrated by four figures in the text and by seven plates.

Reichensperger describes (Bull. Mus. Comp. Zoöl., 43, Dec. 1906) a new species of Myzostoma (*M. vincentinum*) found parasitic on *Pentacrinus decorus* from St. Vincent.

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## BOTANY

**A popular book on Canadian wild flowers.**—In 1885 the venerable Mrs. Catherine Parr Traill was among the leaders in popularizing a knowledge of American wild flowers by presenting them untechnically and attractively to those who could or would not make their acquaintance through keys and manuals. Her pioneer course has been

<sup>1</sup> Bulletin Ill. State Lat. Nat. Hist. 7, 1907.

<sup>2</sup> Published by the State Board of Geological Survey, as a part of the Report for 1905, Lansing 1906.